

REMARKS

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 30, 2004 in which Claims 1-24 were allowed and in which Claims 25-47 were withdrawn from consideration.

In the Office Action, Applicant's traversals of the restriction requirements imposed upon the claims was denied and the restriction requirement was made final. Page 2 of the Office Action further indicated that the application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of Claims 25-47 drawn to inventions non-elected with traverse. In response, Applicant hereby cancels Claims 25-47, placing the application in condition for allowance. Claims 1-24 are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-2025. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 08-2025. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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